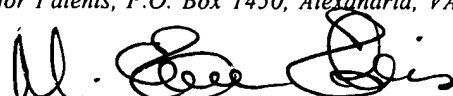




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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Applicant : Keith David Bussell Confirmation No. 7076
Application No. : 09/692,746
Filed : October 18, 2000
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIGITALLY SIGNING AN
ADVERTISEMENT AREA NEXT TO A VALUE-BEARING ITEM

Grp./Div. : 3621
Examiner : Firmin Backer

Docket No. : 40624/SAH/S850

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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	48	*51	0	0 x \$9.00	0 x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	2	** 3	0	0 x \$44.00	0 x \$88.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$150.00	\$300.00	0
TOTAL FILING FEE						0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1 and 29						
* IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3 ** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3 *** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME **** IF NO FEE REQUIRED, ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO "BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENTS"						

Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.
X A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.

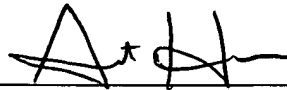
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_____ Other enclosures:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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